Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Dr. A.R. Menon, Mr. C.L. George and two others had an interview with the Diwan on this and other subjects.

Vakils—Kumbalangi riot cases.

669. **Mr. P. Raman Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Government is not aware that Mr. C. L. George appears along with Mr. K. J. Antony for the Christians in the Kumbalangi riot cases.

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Yes.

Suspension—Inspector Mr. Sreenivasa Ayyar.

670. **Mr. P. Raman Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Government is not aware that the suspension of Mr. Sreenivasa Ayyar has created a feeling in the minds of the Police Officers that to shirk smart and bold work is the safest method of avoiding punishment?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—No.

Complaints against Police Officers.

671. **Mr. P. Raman Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) how many private complaints of causing hurt have been filed in the Magistrate's Courts of the State against Police Officers within the past five years;

(b) were the Police Officers concerned in any of those cases dealt with by the Government in their executive capacity?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) 49 complaints against 87 persons.

(b) Yes.

Suspension—Police Officers.

672. **Mr. George Chakyamuri.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the following.—

(a) the reasons for suspending the Inspector of Police Mr. Sreenivasa Ayyar;

(b) whether Head constable Poulose has also not been suspended for the same reasons?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) The Inspector was suspended pending enquiry into a complaint of torture.

(b) Yes.

Re-arrest—Chudala Chouri.

673. **Mr. George Chakyamuri.**—With reference to question No. 486 of the Legislative Session (1107), will the Government be pleased to state —

(a) wherefrom the prisoner Chudala Chouri (deceased) was re-arrested after his escape;

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(b) were there any injuries on his head before his escape and if not how such injuries were caused when he was recaptured;

(c) who did re-capture him;

(d) did he or they submit any report when the deceased was brought to the Ernakulam Town Police Station after the re-capture; if so, what is the nature of that report;

(e) was he not brought to the Town Police Station, Ernakulam, first after the re-capture;

(f) were not the Inspector Mr. Govindan Nayar and the Head constable Ayyan present there when he was brought to the station after the re-capture;

(g) did anybody in the Town Police Station (Ernakulam), record any marks of injuries in the Station Register after he was brought to the station after re-capture; if so, what are the injuries recorded;

(h) was his head shaved before he was taken to the hospital; if so, by whom and why;

(i) did the Inspector or anybody in the Police Station give intimation to the local Magistrate of the precarious condition of the deceased after the re-capture;

(j) who was the local Magistrate then;

(k) did the Magistrate take any statement from the deceased in the Police Station;

(l) did the Magistrate record any marks of injuries on the person of the deceased in the Police Station before he was sent to the hospital;

(m) when was he sent to the hospital;

(n) when and at what time of the day or night did he die in the hospital;

(o) did the hospital authorities or the police give intimation to the local Magistrate to take the dying declaration of the deceased;

(p) if so, has the Magistrate taken any declaration from the deceased and what is the nature of the declaration, if any;

(q) was there any special reason to entrust the enquiry to the Town Police Inspector Mr. Govindan Nayar also, since he was theofficer responsible for re-capture?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) From Cholakal paramba, a little to the north-east of the Railway Station.

(b) There were no injuries on his head before his escape. The injuries were said to have been caused at the time of his re-capture.

(c) The public.

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(d) No; but one of the station constables who pursued the escaped prisoner put in a report that the prisoner was re-captured from Choolakal paramba and that he was found wounded when he was taken charge of by the Police.

(e) Yes.

(f) No.

(g) A yadast for the injury was drawn up by the Sub-Inspector, who came to the station on hearing about the occurrence. A copy of the yadast is placed on the table. (*Appendix II*).

(h) No information available at present.

(i) Yes.

(j) Mr.C.Sankara Menon.

(k) No.

(l) No.

(m) At 4 p. m. on 19th Karkadagam 1103.

(n) At 1-30 p. m. on 20th Karkadagam 1103.

(o) The Police gave information.

(p) No declaration was taken by the Magistrate since the prisoner was unconscious when the Magistrate reached the hospital.

(q) No, Mr. Govindan Nayar was not the officer responsible for the re-capture.

674. Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the table of the House in connection with the above:—

(1) a copy of the statement, if any, recorded in the Station by the local Magistrate;

(2) a copy of the marks of injuries, if any, recorded in the Station Register after the re-capture (when he was brought to the Station after re-capture);

(3) a copy of the marks of injuries, if any, recorded by the local Magistrate in the Station;

(4) a copy of the dying declaration, if any, taken in the hospital by the Magistrate;

(5) a copy of the explanation, if any, taken from the responsible Police Officers in this connection;

(6) a copy of the Government order, if any?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(1) No statement was taken by the Magistrate in the station,

(2) A copy of the yadast containing a record of the injuries is given in answer to sub-division (g) of question No. 673.

(3) and (4). The Magistrate did not either record any mark of injuries or take a declaration. The Member is referred to the answer to question No. 673 (i) and (p).

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(5) There was no occasion to take any explanation.
(6) No Government orders were issued in the matter.

Death of Chudala Chouri.

675. Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether they had received a petition from the betrothed of the prisoner, deceased Chudala Chouri, alleging that the prisoner Chouri was murdered by the Police.

(b) if so, what action did the Government take in the matter?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Yes.

(b) A report was called for from the Police Commissioner. The report was to the effect that there was no reason for suspecting any foul play. The petition was therefore recorded.

Inspector—Ernakulam Town Police Station.

676. Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(a) who was the Inspector in charge of the Ernakulam Town Station when the Indian States Committee arrived here;

(b) did not some mischief makers show a black flag with inscription "Go back" when the party arrived at the Jail jetty;

(c) is not the Town Police Station in front of the Jail jetty;

(d) whether any and if so what preventive measures were taken by the Police to prevent such ugly incidents?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) Mr. N. R. Sreenivasa Ayyar.

(b) Yes.

(c) Yes.

(d) Necessary confidential instructions have been issued to prevent such incidents.

Petition—Police Intimidation.

677. Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Was there a petition to the Diwan or Commissioner of Police from some people alleging police intimidation against those who wanted to give evidence in the matter of the unhappy death of Chengalam Muhamed;

(b) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, will the Government be pleased to place the same on the table?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) A copy is placed on the table. (*Appendix III*).

Government Advocate and his Assistant.

678. Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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APPENDIX II.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 673.)

എറണാകുളം ടൌൺസ്റ്റേഷൻ ക ക൦ ന-ൽ കെ ക ൦൦ ന നമ്പ കൈമൽ പെട്ട പ്രതി ചൊടല മൊയരിയുടെ തലയിൽ കണ്ട പരുക്കു നോക്കിക്കണ്ട വിവരത്തിനു് ടി സ്റ്റേഷൻ S. I. കെ. ഗോവിന്ദൻനായർ ക ക൦ന കക്കടകം ക ന്-൦ന- പകൽ ക -ന൦ ന സ്റ്റേഷനിൽ വെച്ചു തയ്യാറാക്കിയ യാദാസ്തു്.

നോക്കിയതിൽ ടിയാന്റെ തലയിൽ നെറുകയ്ക്കു സമ്പ്രദായത്തോട്ടമാറു് ഏകദേശം ഉദ്ദേശം ഒരു ഇഞ്ചു് നീളത്തിൽ ഒരു നെല്ലുവീതിയിൽ പൊട്ടി രക്തം ഒലിയ്ക്കുന്നതായി ഒരു മുറി കാണപ്പെട്ടു്.

ഹാജരുള്ളവർ.

(ക)	ടി ചൊടല മൊയരി	(ഒപ്പു്)
(ഖ)	P. C. നമ്പർ ൪ കുഞ്ഞുണ്ണിനായർ	(ഒപ്പു്)
(ന)	P. C. നമ്പർ മാധവൻ	(ഒപ്പു്)
(ര)	H. C. നമ്പ൨ ശങ്കരൻ	(ഒപ്പു്)

(Sig: ed).
Sub-Inspector.
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APPENDIX III.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 677)

Petition dated 23rd December 1931 from Mr. V. K. Kutty, President, Munavirul Islam Y. M. M. A., Ernakulam.

It is with feelings of great sorrow that I beg leave to bring to your kind consideration the following facts for your urgent disposal.

2. A Muslim named Chengalam Mammad was arrested by the Police of Trippunittura and after being taken to various places, was produced before the Kanayannur Second Class Magistrate on 3rd Dhanu 1107. He was then sent to the local Sub-Jail where he died suddenly on the same day.

3. The brother and other relatives of the deceased say that he was a strong and healthy man and that after his arrest, he was very severely belaboured by the Police inflicting on him severe injuries which hastened his untimely death. The deceased, when taken before the Magistrate, complained about the high-handedness of the Police and showed him marks of injuries which have been noted down by the Magistrate.

4. In this connection I beg to state that the tendency of the Police to perpetrate inhuman atrocities on the arrested persons without the least vestige of human sympathy and fellow-feeling should be nipped in the bud itself. The fact that the arrested person in question, in spite of his well built body, succumbed to the injuries, proves beyond doubt and dispute that the high-handedness of the Police was of the worst type. Therefore, I request you, Sir, to be kind enough to ask the Commissioner of Police to take up this matter by himself and to inquire into it so as to bring those responsible for this heart-rending incident to book, thereby allaying the grievances of the relatives of the deceased in particular and of the Muslim Community in general.

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